

Parks and Recreation Commission

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, February 24, 2015

A. Call meeting to order:

Attendance:

B. Minutes of last meeting:

C. Communications:

1. Email from Westover Family Readiness Officer for Marines – use of Szot for a family Day August 15, 2015
2. Email requesting school picnic for Chicopee Academy June 12, 2015.
3. Email from Western Mass Wave Baseball – regional premier team – U14 offering to re-do the 90' basaeball diamond at Ray Ash Park – fencing in the field, building a green monster in left field, a home run fence, concession stand, press box, dugouts and lights and take over responsibility for maintenance
4. Email requesting use of the Krampits Ice Rink for a game between Holyoke and Chicopee Fire Departments Feb 27, 2015
5. Email requesting use of Gazebo at Szot Park by Chris Stefanik for June 20, 2015 at 3:00pm for 30 mins, ceremony and photos
6. Letter from Chicopee Youth Lacrosse Program use of Bellamy and Garrity Grove fields from March through mid-June. In addition request mowing by Parks Dept April – June. Permit fee of \$800.
7. Letter from Chicopee Youth Lacrosse Program requesting use of Szot Pavilion on June 20, 2015 for the end of season party.

D. Recreation Report – see attachments

1. Adult Basketball Adult Volleyball, Suburban Basketball League & Youth Rec Basketball Scorekeeper/referee hiring process, Performing Arts Program, Swim lessons, adult swim, and open swim, Bus trips, Tree Lighting Celebration, Fun in Feb,

E. Maintenance Report

Tasks Accomplished – snow removal, sanding, beginning spring prep of home plates, pitching rubbers, picnic table repair,

Parks Labor force communications: Openings, Grievances, Disciplinary Action, Snow plow routes and sidewalks,

Winter work list, Park Projects:

Roca: snow removal, sanding, roof raking, replace ceiling tiles

F. Old Business:

1. Wisniowski Park-Our Common Backyards Grant update.
2. Update Szot Phase 2 & phase 3 – Tom Scarlotta
3. Update Pool repairs – Architect Selected – negotiations, Updated water usage report
4. Nash Project - update
5. Open Space Plan – update
6. Property Committee – outcome
7. InspireWorks summer enrichment program – update
8. Chicopee Community Garden Council
9. Concession Contract
10. Other Old Business

G. New Business:

1. Budget Request 2015
2. Appropriations
3. Water Bill- Fairview \$30,000
4. Revolving funds reviewed – Park Fees and Rec Day Camp (OPEE)
5. Kielbasa Festival 2015 and February Winter Festival 2016
6. Lincoln Grove Park – programming opportunity
7. Reply to inquiry regarding maintenance of Chicopee River walk
8. Fairview Cemetery Organic Decomposition Area (CODA)

- 9 Front Street water damage
- 10 Forestry Dept – Park tree survey
- 11 Open positions and New Hires Labor Grade 3L:
 - Daniel Santerre – 7 years of private landscaping company work
 - Ben Strepka – former seasonal employee in Parks Dept for 3 summers
 - Andrew LaReau – former seasonal employee in Parks Dept and graduate of Chicopee
 - Comp Landscaping program
- 12 Other new business.

H. Meeting adjourned:

I. Next Meeting: _____